

## 2,300 SWITCHMEN GO ON STRIKE

Men Claim that Every Reasonable Means was Used to Avoid a Strike.

### SOLID TIUP OF TRAFFIC EXPECTED

On the Railroads Running West and North of St. Paul and Lake Superior to the Pacific Coast—Strike Became Effective at Six O'clock Last Night—Men Never Before so Thoroughly Organized.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 30.—After fifteen days of negotiating between the Switchmen's Union of North America and the Railway Managers' Commission, representing thirteen railroads of the northwest, a strike involving 2,300 switchmen became effective at 6 o'clock tonight. The men demanded six cents more an hour and double pay for Sunday and overtime in excess of ten hours. The men were employed by the various railroads running west and north of St. Paul and Lake Superior to the Pacific coast.

May Delay Deliveries of Grain. The first effect of the strike was a sharp bulge in the price of wheat on the Chicago grain market late today. As the roads entering St. Paul, Duluth and Superior are largely grain carriers from the west, the prospect of interruption to this traffic caused some to fear delayed deliveries of grain.

Statement by Road Managers. Tonight both sides to the dispute issued statements. That of the railway managers' committee said:

"The switchmen in the northwest territory made simultaneous demands on thirteen railroad companies centering in the Twin Cities for double pay for Sundays, holidays and overtime; an advance of sixty cents per day of ten hours in the wages of switchmen, switch tenders, lowermen, engine drivers and assistant yardmasters; a modification of the rule providing for the payment of penalty in case of failure to permit switchmen to secure their meal in the middle of their shift at a stated period, which contemplates double pay in cases where it became necessary to work a portion of the meal hour, and the elimination of the physical examination and the age limit placed upon switchmen entering the service.

Wages Average Over \$100 Per Month. "The managers' committee offered the switchmen an increase of 20 cents per day of ten hours in the rates of pay of switchmen employed in the territory west of Havre, Montana, on the Great Northern railway, and west of Billings, Mont., on the Northern Pacific railway, but further concession was declined. For this the rates of pay of switchmen were increased over 15 per cent. In 1906. At the present rates, the statement says the wages of the switchmen average over \$100 per month.

It then recites that the managers suggested arbitration under the provisions of the Erdman act, but the switchmen declined this suggestion.

#### The Switchmen's Side.

Speaking for the switchmen, President Hawley said:

"The switchmen have been fair in their requests. The request for double pay for overtime is in the nature of a penalty more than anything else, as we want to discourage overtime, Sunday and holiday work.

"We also ask for a modification of the physical requirements and age limit rules.

"I have never seen a time when the men were so thoroughly organized and ready for concerted action as in the present instance. This strike will result in the most complete tieup of railroad traffic in the territory affected that has ever been known, not even excepting the great strike of 1894. From now on not a switch engine will move in the territory between the head of the lakes and the Pacific coast.

"We did not wish a strike and used every reasonable means to avoid one. We realize the inconvenience which a strike at this time will cause to the public, but the responsibility does not lie with the switchmen, as they only asked for that which was justly theirs.

"We have advised every member that from the moment the strike begins he must keep away from the company's property, obey the law, commit no act of violence, nor do anything that will reflect discredit upon himself or the organization conducting the strike."

#### Seattle Switchmen Go Out.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 30.—Two hundred switchmen employed in the Seattle yards of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound, the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern railways struck tonight.

Roads Have a Scheme to Handle Traffic. St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 30.—Early reports received by the switchmen as to the effect of the strike order indicate that all switchmen on the affected lines walked out and that there is a general tieup of traffic in all the yards heard from. In St. Paul and Minneapolis all switchmen are out.

G. T. Slade, general manager of the Northern Pacific, tonight said that he had only meagre reports of the effects of the strike order so far. He said that local traffic had been delayed, but that the railroads had a scheme by which they hope to facilitate the handling of traffic in a short time. Enough switching was done in the St. Paul yards tonight by train crews to keep passenger traffic moving.

### Cabled Paragraphs.

Havana, Nov. 30.—The Havana baseball team defeated the Detroit Americans by a score of 9 to 1.

Amoy, China, Nov. 30.—The imperial board of communications has advanced \$500,000 for the extension of the Amoy and Changchow railway.

Manila, Nov. 30.—Edward Bowditch, a former football player of Harvard, was today appointed Corvate secretary to Governor General Forbes. He had been acting in a similar capacity for the governor's predecessor for several months.

Paris, Nov. 30.—The lists for the Grand Prix of the Automobile Club of France closed tonight, but insufficient entries were received and this will mean the abandonment of the race in 1910 unless some modification of the regulations can be arranged.

Copenhagen, Nov. 30.—Rector Torp of the University of Copenhagen today extended an invitation to Dr. Maurice P. Egan, United States minister to Denmark, to be present when the north polar records of Dr. Cook are received and also during the subsequent examination. The Cook records are expected on the steamer United States, due here about Dec. 6.

#### THE GOING INTO SECLUSION OF DR. COOK A WISE MOVE.

Views of Professor William H. Brewer of Yale.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 30.—In speaking tonight of the going into seclusion of Dr. Cook, Prof. William H. Brewer of Yale said that if he had been in Dr. Cook's place he would have done so long ago. He said that he thought that Dr. Cook had done a wise thing, as he had been bothered day and night and needed a rest. In speaking of Dr. Cook's discovery of the north pole, he said that he had known Dr. Cook for fifteen years and believed him to be essentially truthful and that he would believe that he had discovered the north pole.

In speaking of the climbing of Mount McKinley, he said that even if an expedition did succeed in getting to the top he thought it very doubtful if the nation would benefit. He said that the fact that when he climbed Mount McKinley in 1894 he left records which were not discovered until 1896, though in the years between many expeditions had been made, and that he had placed no faith in Bartlett's affidavit to the effect that Dr. Cook had not reached the summit.

As to passing on Dr. Cook's records on the north pole trip, Professor Brewer thought that the University of Copenhagen was one of the most competent authorities in the world and would not be biased in any particular in their findings.

#### SOLD HIS WIFE FOR A DOLLAR AND A HALF.

Result of a Talk Two Men Had in a Barroom.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 30.—Ernest Phillips, of Akron, and Edward Smith, a farmer near Leopolis, were held for the grand jury today on a charge of violating the penal statute that prohibits the selling of a woman. Phillips' wife was sold to Smith for \$1.50 and had sold her to Smith for \$1.50 and had said that she would live with him, whereupon Phillips was held for \$1.50.

"I had only ten shillings," Smith explained, "and I borrowed a quarter. When I got ready to go home the woman climbed into the wagon and went with me."

Mrs. Phillips is now in the poorhouse.

#### SIX HOURS A DAY'S WORK ON WAY FREIGHT TRAINS

And Substantial Wage Increase—New Haven Road Firemen Want It.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 30.—The local firemen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad were held for the grand jury today on a charge of violating the penal statute that prohibits the selling of a woman. Phillips' wife was sold to Smith for \$1.50 and had sold her to Smith for \$1.50 and had said that she would live with him, whereupon Phillips was held for \$1.50.

#### ANOTHER HUNGER STRIKE

Predicted by Mrs. Pankhurst When She Goes to English Jail.

New York, Nov. 30.—"When I go back to England," said Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant little English suffragette at Cooper Union tonight, "I am going to serve thirty days in jail with ninety others, and I shall tell you now there will be another hunger strike. We shall refuse to accept being stripped and searched in jail and shall resist until we are overwhelmed by force. We shall refuse to eat the prison food. If any of us die in prison, heaven is able to pass a retrospective act regularizing the situation."

#### Harriman's Estate Valued at \$149,000.

New York, Dec. 1.—According to a report published here today, E. H. Harriman's estate at the time of his death was valued at \$149,000. This is said to be shown in the appraisers' estimate as completed and filed with the surrogate, which, however, has not been made public. On this valuation the estate is liable for a Federal estate tax of \$1,490,000.

#### Norwalk to Have Naval Militia Detachment.

Hartford, Nov. 30.—An order was issued from the office of Adjutant General Cole today which will allow of the organizing of a detachment of the naval militia of the state in Norwalk. The new company will be a part of the Third division.

#### Midshipman Earl Wilson Recovering.

Annapolis, Md., Nov. 30.—Midshipman Earl D. Wilson, quarterback of the naval academy football team, who was injured more than eight weeks ago in the game with Villa Nova, and who has ever since been paralyzed from the head down, has so far improved that today he was able to sit up in bed for a short time. The surgeons are encouraged to hope that the spinal cord, which had been compressed by the fracture of the vertebrae, will finally return to its normal condition, the pressure upon it having been removed, and that complete recovery from the paralysis will follow.

#### \$25,000 Fire Loss.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 30.—A loss of fully \$25,000 was caused by fire tonight in Springwater, a village in Livingston county, 35 miles south of here. The entire west side of Main street in the business section was burned. The fire had burned itself out at midnight.

## House of Lords Rejects Budget Bill

ADVICE OF OLDEST AND ABLEST MEMBERS DISREGARDED.

### SITUATION UNPRECEDENTED

In English History—Vote Was 350 to 75 in Favor of Lord Lansdowne's Amendment.

London, Nov. 30.—In the sedate, detached manner characteristic of the proceedings in the lords chamber, and in disregard of the advice of some of its ablest and oldest members, such as Rosebery, Morley, Lord James of Hereford, Lord Cromer, Lord Hailfoul, Lord Curzon, the Earl of Lytton, Lord Courtney and the archbishops of Canterbury and York, the house of lords today created a situation unprecedented in English history, at least in three hundred years, by refusing to assent to the budget bill and referring it to the country itself for judgment, thereby, in theory, making it illegal to collect taxes and carry on the king's government.

#### May Involve Far-Reaching Changes.

After six days' debate, notable for the high standard of the oratory, as well as for the able and convincing arguments arrayed on both sides for and against the budget, and placing in every possible light all the aspects of the constitutional questions involved, the house of lords divided at half past 11 o'clock.

#### Impressive Scene.

The scene was impressive but in no sense exciting, except that the house was packed to its utmost capacity and a great array of strange faces were to be seen. The scene was a scene of numbers of peers who only appear in the house in most exceptional cases. None would have supposed that the event proceeding was anything more than a routine matter in the annals of British history, but possibly also involving far-reaching changes in the British constitution.

There certainly was unusual animation in the public galleries, which were crowded with peers, members of the house of commons, ambassadors and others, but in the house itself complete calm prevailed. There was none of that nervous excitement or ebullient enthusiasm so distinctive of a similar occasion in the lower house.

#### The Vote on Lansdowne's Amendment.

The vote was on Lord Lansdowne's amendment that the house was not justified in giving its consent to the judgment of the country.

When the vote was announced, just before midnight, as 350 to 75 in favor of the amendment, a few mixed cheers were heard. The Earl of Crewe immediately moved an adjournment and the house rose.

#### Means the Final Emancipation of the English Masses.

New York, Nov. 30.—Commenting on the action taken by the British house of lords in adopting Lord Lansdowne's amendment to the finance bill, T. P. O'Connor, M.P., one of the Irish nationalist leaders in the house of commons and now in this country in the interests of Irish home rule, said tonight that the rejection of the budget by the British house announced their own doom, and he believed it would precipitate an uprising of the masses in one of the bitterest fights known to English politics for a century.

In addition, he said, it would act as a vigorous incentive to the cause of Ireland's independence and meant the final emancipation of the English masses.

#### Lords Have Pronounced Their Own Doom.

"As to the effect in England, I believe the rejection of the budget will be the death of the house of lords; that they have pronounced their own doom, and that before two or three years from now their power of mischief will be so broken as practically be non-existent."

"This means the final emancipation of the English masses from the grip of feudalism, and of Ireland from the government of an alien parliament."

#### Parliament to Be Prorogued Friday Until Middle of January.

London, Dec. 1.—The prime minister, Mr. Asquith, has called another meeting of the cabinet for 10 o'clock this morning to complete formalities following the action of the house of lords, and it is practically certain that parliament will be prorogued Friday until the middle of January.

It was also stated, with an air of authority, that yesterday's council decided upon measures ensuring the uninterrupted collection of taxes on tea, spirits and tobacco, until the new parliament is able to pass a retrospective act regularizing the situation.

#### GOMERS GRANTED A STAY.

Court of Appeals at Washington Holds Up Sentences of Labor Leaders Pending Appeal to Supreme Court.

Washington, Nov. 30.—The court of appeals of the District of Columbia today granted the petition of Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison of the American Federation of Labor in the contempt case against them for a stay of execution of the mandate sent to them to go to jail. The mandate is stayed indefinitely pending appeal to the supreme court of the United States.

#### New Superintendent of Middletown Schools.

Middletown, Conn., Nov. 30.—At a meeting of the board of education here tonight William Whitney of Fairfield was elected superintendent of public schools of the city and principal of the high school. He succeeds Dr. C. H. Woolsey, who resigned to take charge of one of the state trade schools.

#### Increase in Railroad Wages Rumored.

Reading, Pa., Nov. 30.—There is a widespread report that the leading railroad companies, including the Reading, will shortly announce an increase in wages of employees, particularly those in a train service. Inquiry among officials in this city today failed to elicit any information on the report concerning the matter.

#### Steamship Arrivals.

At Genoa, Nov. 25: Montevideo, from New York.

At Marseilles, Nov. 26: Venezia, from New York.

At London, Nov. 30: Minneapolis, from New York.

### Condensed Telegrams

Kells Were Laid Monday for two English Droughts.

The Imperial Aero Club of Berlin proposes to have aeronautical maps prepared.

Frank White Was Appointed director of education for the Philippine Islands, to succeed Dr. Barrows, resigned.

S. Kuziduki Was Appointed Japanese ambassador to Austria, to succeed M. Uchida, transferred to the United States.

Vice President Sherman has leased the house at 1401 Sixteenth street for his residence during the session of congress.

Samuel Gompers and other labor leaders called on President Taft and discussed matters of interest to the workman.

King Edward of England has received the requests of both the United States and the Chilean governments to serve as mediator in the Alop claim case.

It is rumored that Secretary of State Knox is urging Dr. David J. Hill to resign as ambassador to Germany and become first assistant secretary of state.

The Supreme Court Affirmed a previous decision restraining the interstate commerce commission from reducing the terminal charges of livestock on railroads entering Chicago.

#### MISSING BANK CASHIER FOUND IN HOSPITAL.

Bad Knife Wound in Arm—Said He Was Waylaid and Robbed.

Detroit, Nov. 30.—Ned Sargent, the missing cashier of the bank at Vernon, Mich., which was closed and went into the hands of a receiver yesterday, was located at Grace hospital in this city today in a serious condition from loss of blood. He had a bad knife wound in his arm. Sargent was taken to the hospital from the Franklin hotel under the name of C. C. Jones, yesterday. He said today that he was waylaid and robbed of \$30 in this city Sunday night, but managed in spite of his injuries to reach his hotel and did not realize the seriousness of his condition until yesterday, when he called for medical attention. He said that when he left Vernon last Thursday the bank was in good condition and that he did not know until today that he was wanted there. Doctors say he may recover.

#### CEBU BISHOP DIES OF CHOLERA.

Thomas A. Hendrick, in Philippines, Had Nearly Recovered.

Manila, Nov. 30.—Bishop T. A. Hendrick of the Roman Catholic diocese of Cebu died today of cholera. The bishop had been gravely ill for several months and a brother recently intended to accompany him to New York in a steamer that he would be able to take the sick man home.

There have been a number of cases of cholera at Cebu recently. Bishop Hendrick entered upon his unique duties with energy, his territory or diocese covering an immense area, with seventy parishes and no means of locomotion, excepting horses, mules and boats. Yet the bishop made it a point to visit each one of the seventy parishes at least once a year. In many instances walking miles to do this. The diocese numbers 2,600,000 souls and is said to be the largest in the world. When Bishop Hendrick took charge it was in a bad state of demoralization, but today it is regarded as one of the best organized dioceses in the Catholic church in the Philippines. The body will be buried at Cebu.

#### MAN IS BECOMING A LION.

Case of the Rare Disease Known as Leontiasis.

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 30.—The head of Charles Myers, a young shoemaker, is gradually losing its human characteristics and assuming those of a lion's. Myers is an inmate of the city hospital here, and was exhibited last night before the Medical association as the victim of the one of the rarest diseases known to medical science, called Leontiasis. Only two or three cases are on record.

During the last three years the bones of Myers' skull have gradually enlarged, his eyes retreated, and the whole face has become more and more like a lion's. He bears a stronger resemblance to a lion than a human being. The doctors declare that in a short time he must either become insane or die.

#### JAPANESE STEAMSHIPS LOST.

Foundered During Great Storm at Shimonoeki and Yungampo, Korea.

Tokio, Nov. 30.—A fierce storm swept over the vicinity of Shimonoeki yesterday and last night. The Katsuga Maru, a Japanese vessel of 2,373 tons, foundered, and it is feared that all on board were lost. Twenty-five bodies have been washed ashore. Many fishing boats are also believed to have been wrecked. The piers and embankments at Shimonoeki have been badly damaged by the high seas.

#### OBITUARY.

Judge Arthur F. Eggleston.

Hartford, Conn., Nov. 30.—Following an illness of two years, Judge Arthur F. Eggleston died at his home, 29 Windsor avenue, late today from apoplexy and kidney trouble. He was born in Enfield Oct. 23, 1844, son of Jere D. and Louisa Eggleston, and received his legal education in Moscow, Mass. In 1861, at the outbreak of the Civil war, he enlisted in the Forty-sixth Massachusetts volunteers, serving until the regiment was mustered out. On his return from the war he entered Williams college, graduating in 1868, and entered the law office of Strong & Buck of this city. A few years after the death of Mr. Strong he entered into partnership with John H. Buck.

Judge Eggleston during his life in the city was active in local republican politics, holding several local offices. He was a member of the board of council, acting as president in 1877; was elected mayor in 1880, and held the office until June 30, 1888, when he was obliged to retire on account of ill health. He leaves his wife.

#### Mining Stock Swindlers Sentenced.

New York, Nov. 30.—Two swindlers who fleeced investors in Mexican mining stocks of \$150,000 were sentenced to the federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., today, convicted of using the mails with intent to defraud. Both had victims all over the country. J. Walter Labaree, the chief offender, was given two and one-half years, and his accomplice, George W. Emanuel, one year and six months.

## Electric Workman Fatally Stabbed

BY AN ITALIAN, ONE OF THE MEN ON THE JOB.

### DESCRIPTION OF MURDERER

Sent Out by Bridgeport Authorities to Police of Other Cities—Murderer Escaped on Evening Train.

Bridgeport, Conn., Nov. 30.—John Hackett, a workman in the employ of the Electric cable company, was fatally stabbed at 6 o'clock tonight by Tony Marconi, one of the men in his employ, as he was about to leave the factory for his home. The lunge was so vicious that the knife, entering the left side of the chest, severed a rib. Marconi escaped after the stabbing and is supposed to have left the city on a train about 6:30 o'clock.

#### Police of Other Cities Notified.

The police of the surrounding towns and cities have been furnished with the following description of the murderer: Height, 5 feet 5 inches; clear complexion; dark brown hair, hooked nose, wears a cap and white shoes.

#### Sprang Out of the Shadow Upon His Victim.

Tony is alleged to have been lazy and the foreman had to keep close watch of him, and repeatedly threatened to discharge the man unless he did better. Tony resented the words and for some time has made threats against his boss. This morning Hackett took a knife away from Marconi and cautioned him about carrying weapons. Nothing more was thought of the incident until tonight, when Hackett came down the stairs of the factory, Marconi sprang out of the shadow where he had been lurking and plunged a knife into his victim. The late rites of the Catholic church were administered to the dying man, and he was hurried to the St. Vincent hospital, where he can survive but a few hours.

#### ALONZO J. WHITEMAN MUST FINISH SENTENCE.

Eight Years and Five Months for Obtaining Money Under False Pretences.

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 30.—Alonzo J. Whiteman, who was sentenced from Erie county in December, 1906, to a term of eight years and five months for obtaining money under false pretences, must serve out his sentence under a ruling announced tonight by Attorney General O'Malley.

A statute enacted by the last legislature makes all first offenders eligible for parole when they have served half of their sentence if committed for a definite period. Whiteman, the attorney general finds, entered a plea of guilty in Massachusetts in 1901 and was placed upon probation. Mr. O'Malley holds that such a disposition of the case, based upon the defendant's plea of guilty, amounted to a conviction and that therefore Whiteman is not a first offender. The state prison department has been notified.

Boston, Nov. 30.—Alonzo J. Whiteman, now in the New York state prison, has had a picturesque career. He was born in Danville, N. Y., a college graduate, a member of the Minnesota legislature at 24, once mayor of Duluth, where he was president of two banks and owned two newspapers, and was a democratic national committeeman. His fortune, left by his father, was estimated at \$3,000,000. To his defeat for congress was attributed his downfall and he became a gambler. His fortune disappeared and it was alleged he began distributing forged checks.

#### NATIONAL BANKS MUST HAVE MONTHLY MEETINGS

Of Their Boards of Directors, Says Comptroller of the Currency.

Washington, Nov. 30.—All of the 2,500 national banks in the United States which now hold board meetings at irregular and infrequent intervals must have monthly meetings of their boards of directors, must appoint examining and discharging committees and all the loans and discounts of each bank must be approved by the directorate board at the monthly meeting, such approval to be recorded in permanent form. This was the recommendation of the comptroller of the currency, Murray, today.

In order to round out his general plan for the directors to control the banks and to have supervision, the comptroller has asked all of these banks to amend and forward to the comptroller's office a copy of their by-laws as amended to make the provisions just stated.

#### BRIBER JUST IN ILL HEALTH.

California Boss Petitions for Release from San Quentin Prison.

San Francisco, Nov. 30.—Abraham Ruef, former "political boss" of San Francisco, today petitioned the superior court for release on bail on the ground that his continued confinement, pending the disposition of his case by the appellate court, has greatly impaired his health.

The petition is based on the statements of twenty physicians, who said that the heart, lungs and eyes of the prisoner had been greatly affected. Judge Calhoun set tomorrow for a formal hearing.

Ruef is under sentence of fourteen years in the penitentiary for bribery.

#### President Promenades Pennsylvania Avenue.

Washington, Nov. 30.—President Taft today promenade Pennsylvania avenue, mingling with the throngs of people passing. The electric lights brought the president conspicuously into view. Several times as he was recognized he tipped his hat in response to salutations.

The president was accompanied by Captain Butt, his military aide, and two secret service men followed a short distance in the rear.

#### Loving Cup Presented Senator Bulkeley by Hartford Colored Residents.

Hartford, Conn., Nov. 30.—Senator Morgan G. Bulkeley was presented tonight with a loving cup by the colored residents of the city, as a token of his defense of the colored troops of Brownsville who were accused for the alleged shooting up of the place. The presentation was made by Rev. Walter Gay of the Union Baptist church.

#### For Peaceful Solution of Nicaragua's Troubles.

Mexico City, Nov. 30.—A suggestion of a peaceful solution of the Nicaraguan trouble has been made by the government of Mexico to the United States. This was admitted by Minister of Foreign Relations Aguinaldo tonight.

#### STORY OF PLOT TO ASSASSINATE ROCKEFELLER

Told to Cleveland Police by Sawyer Smith of Minerva, Ohio.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 30.—Without guard, John D. Rockefeller and his party drove from Forest Hill home to the railway station this afternoon and took a train for New York.

Following the story of a plot to assassinate Mr. Rockefeller, which was told to the police today by Sawyer Smith of Minerva, O., the Cleveland police stood ready to furnish an escort if it were deemed by the president of the Standard Oil company necessary. Following his usual custom in Cleveland, however, Mr. Rockefeller alighted at the railway station, mingled with the crowd and appeared devoid of anxiety. The only unusual move he made was to direct his chauffeur to take a circuitous route to the station, approaching it from the side opposite that on which his home is located.

The police chiefs in Cleveland and East Cleveland are endeavoring to trace the alleged plotters whose description was given by the Minerva man. The Rockefeller home was under guard Monday night, but today, under the direction of Mr. Rockefeller, the guard was withdrawn.

The story told by Smith, in brief, is that while in Alliance Sunday night he heard two men discussing a plan to kill the oil magnate.

"We might as well get our money for killing old John D.," one of them said, according to Smith, "for we will get what's coming to us whether we kill or kidnap him. Bill and I are willing to have plenty of money and are willing to pay well for putting him out of the way."

Smith reported the matter to the Canton chief of police and on his commendation called on Chief Stamborgh of East Cleveland, with whom he went to see Rockefeller. Smith told his story there and refused the tender of his expenses while here.

Smith is a lumber merchant.

#### NEW YORK ADVERTISES FOR BIDS TO EXTERMINATE RATS

Mayor Searching for a Man to Charm the Pests.

New York, Nov. 30.—Like the mayor of Bingen, Mayor McCallahan is searching for a man to charm the rats and mice which infest the New York public buildings. It has come to a pass where the rats or the city must conquer, and the call has gone out for Pled Pipers, modern rat catchers, or any ordinary citizen who knows the business of working rats, would come forward and try his charms. Commissioner Hubbard has advertised for bids for the extermination of rats.

The bids will be opened tomorrow.

#### Defense in Hatters' Boycott Suit Scores a Point.

Hartford, Nov. 30.—The defense in the boycott suit brought by D. E. Lowe & Co. of Danbury, against the Hatters' union, scored a point today when Judge Eliot in the United States circuit court excluded as inadmissible all testimony bearing on acts committed by the defendant unions prior to the bringing of the suit on August 31, 1908.

#### Strike of Tapestry Printers.

Philadelphia, Nov. 30.—A strike of tapestry printers at the John Gay carpet mill today resulted in a lockout in three other carpet mills in the Kensington district and the throwing out of work of approximately nine. The strikers, who demanded a 10 per cent. increase in their wages, refused to treat with the manufacturers' association, which then declared a lockout in the other mills.

#### MORE STRINGENT OBSERVANCE OF RULES OF THE ROAD